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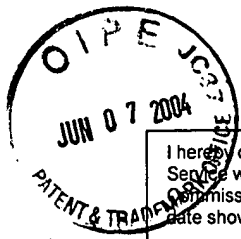
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed May 4, 2004, Applicant hereby provisionally elects claims 1-14 for continued examination.

The Examiner has required restriction between:

Group I, claims 1-14, directed toward an expansion joint;

Group II, claims 15-18, directed to an alternate embodiment of an expansion joint;

Group III, claims 19-27, directed to a bridge that includes the expansion joint of Group I;

and

Group IV, claims 28-33, directed to a method for assembling a structure, like the bridge of Group III, with the expansion joint of Group I.

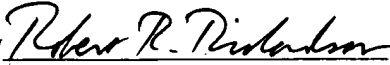
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